

ABSTRACT

A device for feeding packages (6) from a packaging machine has first, second, third and fourth package
5 drivers (2-5). The drivers (2-5) are arranged to transport packages (6) in a transportation direction (T) from an infeed station (7) to an outfeed station (8). The drivers are arranged diametrically in relation to each other in pairs and rotatably about a common centre axis
10 (C). A method of feeding packages from a packaging machine comprises receiving at the infeed station (7) packages between the first and second drivers (2, 3), transporting the packages (6) by means of rotation of the drivers (2-5) to the outfeed station (8), and when the
15 packages (6) have reached the outfeed station (8), returning the first driver (2) to the infeed station (7) and advancing the second driver (3) so that the fourth driver (5) advances to the infeed station (7), the first and fourth drivers (2, 5) being ready to receive
20 subsequent packages (6).

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